

**SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC SAFETY LEGISLATION FOR GTSAC 4-21-06**

MSP is the Lead Agency unless otherwise noted

**Drunk Driving Legislation****HB 4286** AGGRAVATED OWI

(Rep. Jones) Increases penalties for operating a vehicle with excessive blood alcohol content (0.20).

*In House Judiciary Committee, Testimony Taken – not voted upon***HB 4367** DRUNKEN DRIVING TEACHER

(Rep. Wenke) Prohibits a legally drunk adult from accompany a driver fulfilling graduated licensing requirements.

*In House Transportation Committee, Testimony Taken – not voted upon***HB 4614** OFF-ROAD VEHICLES, ALCOHOL

(Rep. Newell) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to an off-road vehicle.

*Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee***HB 4615** ALCOHOL, WATERCRAFT OPERATION

(Rep. Schuitmaker) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to the operation of a watercraft.

*Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee***HB 4616** ALCOHOL, SNOWMOBILE OPERATION

(Rep. Condino) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to the operation of a snowmobile.

*Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee***HB 4630** PRELIMINARY BREATH TESTS

(Rep. David Law) Allows preliminary breath tests as admissible evidence in certain criminal prosecutions.

*In House Judiciary Committee***HB 4631** DRUNKEN DRIVING PENALTIES

(Rep. David Law) Allows the use of certain out-of-state ordinance violations to enhance drunk driving penalties.

*In House Judiciary Committee***HB 5283** FATAL CRASH PENALTIES

(Rep. Wenke) Increases penalties for alcohol- and drug-related driving violations causing death if person has a prior alcohol conviction.

*In House Judiciary Committee***SB 846** AGGRAVATED OWI

(Sen. Switalski) Increases penalties for driving with a blood alcohol level of .25 or higher.

*In Senate Judiciary Committee***Speed Limits****HB 4032** CITY COUNCIL SPEED RESTRICTIONS**MDOT Lead**

(Rep. Whitmer) Requires input by city councils in setting speed limits on state trunk-lines located within city limits.

*In House Transportation Committee***HB 4802** CONDO DEVELOPMENT SPEED LIMIT

(Rep. Anderson) Allows the association of co-owners to establish the speed limit in condominium developments under certain circumstances

*In House Transportation Committee***HB 5240** SPEED LIMITS

(Rep. Palmer) Creates multiple levels of prima facie speed limits.

*Public Act 85 of 2006, Effective November 9, 2006*

**HB 5241** BUS SPEED LIMIT

(Rep. Palmer) Changes references in Pupil Transportation Act to reflect changes made in HB 5240.

*Public Act 86, Effective April 3, 2006*

**HB 5393** MOVING VIOLATIONS

(Rep. Miller) Increases fines for moving violations in residential areas.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**Restraints / Passenger Safety****SB 183** CHILD BOOSTER SEATS

(Sen. McManus) Requires use of child safety restraint system or booster seats for children under 8 years of age and 4'9" in height.

*On Floor of Senate*

**SB 262** CHILD CAR RESTRAINTS

(Sen. George) Allows a waiver of fines for certain child booster seat violations under certain circumstances.

*On Floor of Senate*

**SB 314** CHILD SAFETY SEAT REGULATIONS

(Sen. Hammerstrom) Requires a child safety restraint seat to be in the rear seat if vehicle has rear seat and removes the nursing child exemption.

*On Floor of Senate*

**SB 491** VEHICLE CHILD RESTRAINT

(Sen. Kuipers) Increases the penalties to \$100 for failure to properly restrain a child less than 16 years of age in a vehicle for second and subsequent violations and dedicates funds to the "Child Safety Education Fund".

*On Floor of Senate*

**SB 1041** CHILD PLACEMENT

(Sen. Birkholz) Requires placement of child under the age of 12 in the rear seat of a vehicle.

*On Floor of Senate*

**HB 4152** CHILD CAR RESTRAINTS

**DCH Lead**

(Rep. Kolb) Includes booster seats in violations in which fines may be waived (if booster seat is purchased)

*In House Transportation Committee*

**HB 4153** CHILD BOOSTER SEATS

**DCH Lead**

(Rep. Kolb) Requires child safety seats for children 80 pounds or less, younger than 9 years old, and under 4'9" tall.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**SB 297** MOTORCYCLE HELMET EXCEPTIONS

(Sen. Cropsey) Provides exceptions to requirement of wearing crash helmets under certain circumstances.

*Passed Senate, referred to House Transportation Committee*

**HB 5038** MOTORCYCLE HELMET WARNING

(Rep. Drolet) Requires a warning label to be placed on motorcycle helmets and requires the MSP to approve individual helmets models.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**HB 5051** HELMETLESS ENDORSEMENT

(Rep. Farrah) Allows motorcycles to obtain a no-helmet endorsement on their operator license if they meet the criteria for driving without a helmet and pay an annual fee of \$25.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**SB 313 SEAT BELT EXEMPTIONS**

(Sen. Birkholz) Removes certain exemptions regarding the use of seat belts under the age of 16, if all belts are in use by others.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**HB 4787 CHILD CAR SEAT GRANT**

(Rep. Kolb) Provides for funding for a child car seat safety grant program, the "Child Safety Education Fund".

*In House Transportation Committee*

**HB 5579 CHILD SEATBELTS**

(Rep. Angerer) Increases the age requirement for use of seatbelts in rear seat of motor vehicle from 16 to 18 years of age.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**HB 5519 SCHOOL BUS SAFETY BELTS**

(Rep. Lemmons III) Requires use of safety belts on school buses.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**Construction Zone****HB 4028 NO PASSING NEAR CONSTRUCTION ZONE**

(Rep. Vagnozzi) Establishes a "no passing in merge zone" area for regulation of traffic merging at construction sites on freeways.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**Driver License****HB 4338 DRIVER LICENSE**

**Dep. of Education Lead**

(Rep. Clack) Clarifies certain school attendance requirements to maintain driver license.

*In House Education Committee*

**HB 4756 TEEN DRIVER LIMITS**

(Rep. Gaffney) Prohibits first-year drivers from having more than one passenger in vehicle, other than family members.

*In Passed House in Senate Transportation Committee*

**Intersections****HB 5260 TRAFFIC LIGHT**

**MDOT Lead**

(Rep. Murphy) Provides for traffic signal at intersection of Fairview and Saginaw.

*In House Transportation Committee*

**SB 1098 UNMANNED TRAFFIC MONITORING DEVICES**

(Sen. Hammerstrom) Allows installation of unmanned traffic monitoring devices at intersections and includes photographic evidence obtained by a camera to be used to issue civil infraction violations.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**SB 1126 RIGHT-OF-WAY**

(Sen. Garcia) Increases monetary penalties for violations of right-of-way that cause injury or death and provides for driver license suspension.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**School Bus****HB 5494 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ACT**

**Dept. of Ed. Lead**

(Rep. Pavlov) Makes numerous revisions to the pupil transportation act.

*Public Act 107 of 2006, Effective August 15, 2006*

**SB 932 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ACT****Dept. of Ed. Lead**

(Sen. Allen) Makes numerous revisions to the pupil transportation act.

*Public Act 108 of 2006, Effective August 15, 2006***HB 5581 BUS LIGHTS**

(Rep. Jones) Permits activation of strobe light on a school bus while traveling along a scheduled route.

*In House Transportation Committee***SB 1054 SCHOOL BUS INSPECTION**

(Sen. Switalski) Provides for voluntary school bus safety inspections.

*In Senate Transportation Committee***Cell Phone****HB 5053 DRIVER CELL PHONE USE**

(Rep. Stewart) Prohibits use of handheld cellular devices while driving.

*In House Transportation Committee***SB 737 CELL PHONES**

(Sen. Thomas) Prohibits use of cell phone while driving in left lane.

*In Senate Technology and Energy Committee***HB 5133 JUVENILE DRIVER CELL PHONE USE**

(Rep. David Law) Prohibits use of cell phones while driving by those under the age of 18.

*Passed House, in Senate Technology and Energy Committee***SB 814 DRIVER CELL PHONE USE**

(Sen. Patterson) Adds one point to driver license record and \$25 to fine when it is determined that use of cellular telephone contributed to cause of a traffic violation and prohibits GDL drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle.

*In Senate Technology and Energy Committee***HB 5483 TEEN CELL PHONE**

(Rep. Pearce) Prohibits novice drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle.

*In House Judiciary***Event Recorder****SB 902 EVENT RECORD**

(Sen. Stamas) Regulates the use of information obtained from motor vehicle data event record.

*In Senate Transportation Committee***SB 903 EVENT DATA**

(Sen. Stamas) Prohibits requiring installation of or data received from motor vehicle event data recorder to establish eligibility for or premiums for automobile insurance.

*In Senate Transportation Committee***SB 904 DATA EVENT**

(Sen. Kuipers) Prohibits the use of information obtained from motor vehicle data event recorder for purposes of establishing criminal liability under certain circumstances.

*In Senate Transportation Committee***SB 905 EVENT DATA**

(Sen. Gilbert) Prohibits use of information for evidence obtained from motor vehicle event data recorder in civil action.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**Miscellaneous****HB 4163** ELUDING A POLICE OFFICER

(Rep. Pastor) Establishes a mandatory minimum 2-year sentence for fleeing or eluding a police officer.  
*In House Judiciary Committee*

**SB 345** UNATTENDED VEHICLE

(Sen. Van Woerkom) Prohibits and provides remedies for leaving a vehicle unattended in parking lot with the engine running.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**HB 4503** FATIGUED DRIVING

(Rep. Wenke) Provides criminal penalties for driving while fatigued causing death.

*In House Judiciary Committee*

**HB 4807** TRAFFIC LAWS ON PRIVATE ROADS

(Rep. Stakoe) Omits the need for owner consent and contract to confer for authority of local law enforcement to enforce traffic laws on certain private roads.

*Passed House, In Senate Judiciary Committee*

**SB 738** ROAD RAGE

(Sen. Thomas) Defines and prohibits aggressive driving.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**SB 786** VEHICLE WINDOWS

(Sen. Cherry) Increases penalties for window applications (window tint) on a vehicle front windshield and side windows and requires the removal of window tint prior to the court accepting payment of fine and cost.

*In Senate Transportation Committee*

**SB 788** EQUIPMENT LIGHTING

**Dept. of Agriculture Lead**

(Sen. Jelinek) Changes lighting requirement for implements of husbandry.

*Public Act 14 of 2006, Effective February 9, 2006*